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Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

First of all, I would like to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to represent District 41 in the Hawaii State House of Representatives. I am humbled by your continued support and it is my honor to serve you in our community. As the 2012 legislative session closed on May 3rd, 2011, we at the legislature had the tough task of balancing the budget in these tough economic times. I would like to offer you a summarized look at some of the bills that were passed during this legislative session and a diagramed chart on how the budget was balanced in this 2012 regular legislative session. To all the GRADUATES of 2012 Congratulations and Best Wishes in all future endeavors!



Representative Cullen and Aquino presented Waipahu High School with Congratulatory certificates for their success in winning Championship in Football, Softball Soccer, and Baseball.

Safe speeds for our Keiki in Our Neighborhoods



Keeping our neighborhood safe is a top priority. We continue to work with City's Department of Transportation Services (DTS), the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) and the State Department of Transportation (DOT). We are helping to reduce speeding with the three E's Education, Engineering, and Enforcement. Our community has safety striping and we have an increased presence of Honolulu Police Department (HPD) on our streets. There is also mobile speedometer radars to deter speeding and make drivers aware of driving fast. This year in the Legislature I co-authored **HB 2626 Safe Routes to School**. This measure established a safe route to school special fund, which will fund future traffic enhancements that will improve the safety around our schools and our streets.

Legislative Accomplishments

I was happy to have these bills that I authored/co-authored or supported to be signed into law by the Governor. The bills focused on job creation, educational benefits, health care needs, shoring up the Safety net and improving IT infrastructure:

HB 575 — This bill extends the **5% Pay Cuts** for state legislators, judges, the lieutenant governor, governor, and state department heads and deputies from 2009 through 2013. This extension results in an over **12% Pay Cut** to the Legislators, Judges, Lieutenant governor, and governor.

HB 688 — will provide for a safer learning environment by requiring the Department of Education to submit a compliance report to the Board of Education regarding the rules and statuses on bullying, harassment, and cyber bullying within our school. It will provide the information needed to improve our rules and penalties.

HB 608—This bill responded to the closure of the Hawaii Medical Center and appropriated emergency funds through a grant to the Queen’s Medical center to perform kidney and liver transplants and to the National Kidney Foundation of Hawaii to maintain chronic kidney disease management program.

HB 1788—protects our computer users by creating a third degree of computer fraud on phishing and spyware and unauthorized computer access offenses.

HB 1953— Funds \$1million dollars for on-call emergency medical and ambulance services 24 hours a day on the leeward areas. Two emergency rooms that filled the gap when Hawaii Medical Center closed will receive grants to upgrade there facilities. Waianae Coast Comprehensive \$2 million and Wahiawa General \$1.25 million.

HB 2030—Relating to Emergency Vehicle; move over bill requires motorists to move over or slow down when passing a stationary emergency vehicle on the highway as they are performing their duty.

HB 2273—require the DOE and Hawaii High School Athletic Association to develop a concussion awareness program to provide guidelines for public and private schools.

HB 2319— establishes a venture accelerator funding program that will strategically develop the State’s technology business to compete for investment capital.

SB 2261—This bill appropriates \$336,000, for the Weed and Seed program to maintain operations in Kalihi, Waipahu, and Ewa.

SB 2320— Kupuna care provides \$4.9 million dollars for essential home and community-based services for Hawaii’s elderly population.

SB 2779—Intends to streamline access services for older adults, persons with disabilities, and family caregivers, by authorizing the establishment of and appropriating \$1.4 million for aging and disability resource centers in each county.

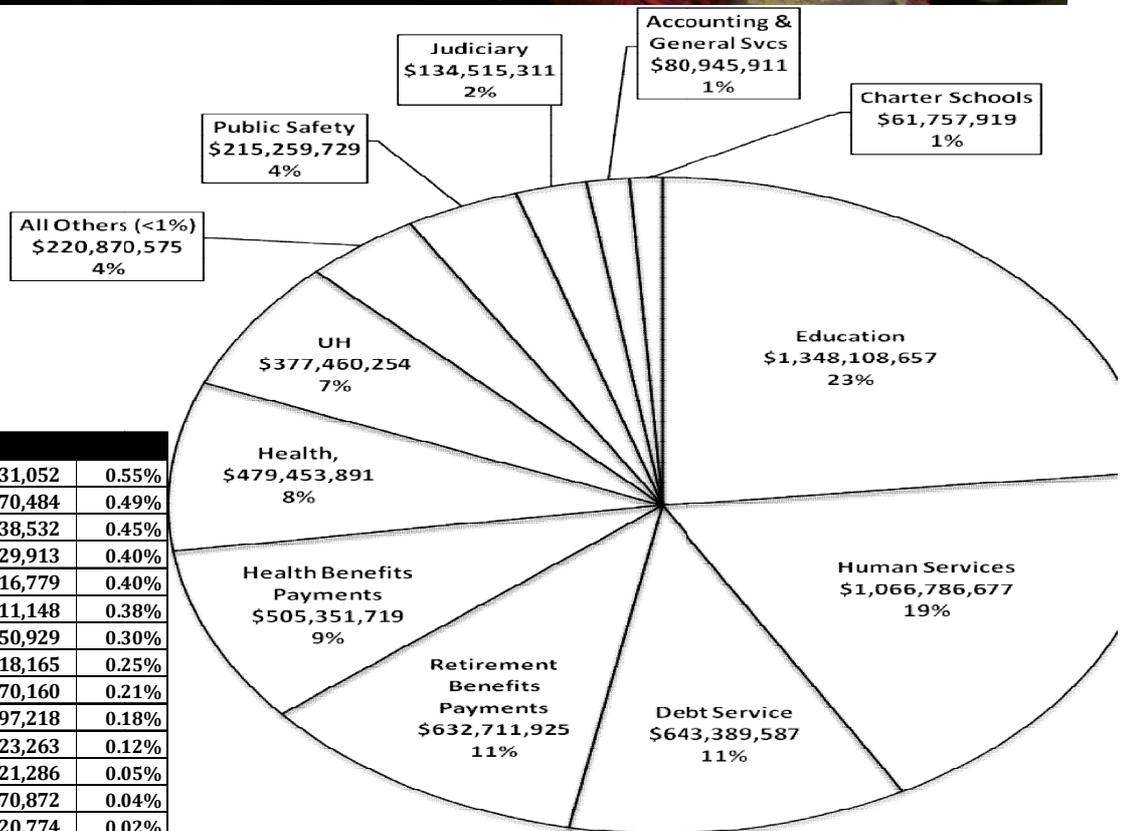
The State Budget Bill

In 2012, the legislature passed a state budget that responsibly supports the state's core functions, recognizing that while the economy is improving, normal levels are still years away.

The appropriation for operations totals \$11.2 billion in all means of financing. Of the total, \$5.6 billion is comprised of general funds.

Funding for capital improvement project appropriations amount to \$3.2 billion for all means of financing. Of that total, \$827 million is comprised of general obligation and reimbursable general obligation bonds.

In addition to giving priority to "shovel-ready" projects, the legislature considered projects that addressed critical health, safety, and code requirement needs; reduced the current repair and maintenance backlog; and provided jobs for unemployed and underemployed residents.



All Others (<1%)		
Legislature	\$ 31,831,052	0.55%
Libraries	\$ 28,070,484	0.49%
Land & Natural Resources	\$ 25,738,532	0.45%
Budget & Finance	\$ 23,229,913	0.40%
Attorney General	\$ 22,816,779	0.40%
Taxation	\$ 21,711,148	0.38%
Defense	\$ 17,250,929	0.30%
Human Resources Development	\$ 14,218,165	0.25%
Labor & Industrial Relations	\$ 12,270,160	0.21%
Agriculture	\$ 10,297,218	0.18%
Bus., Econ Dev. & Tourism	\$ 7,123,263	0.12%
Governor	\$ 2,921,286	0.05%
OHA	\$ 2,370,872	0.04%
Lt. Governor	\$ 1,020,774	0.02%

Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Important to Our District

Given our difficult budgetary situation, House District 41 was very fortunate to benefit from a total of \$ 382,975,000 in appropriations from the Legislature in the biennium budget for our schools, roads, non-profits and many other construction projects.

University of Hawaii and Schools:

- Ewa Elementary— Eight class room building —\$9,600,000
- New East Kapolei High school—\$2,300,000
- Kapolei II Elementary—\$150,000
- Kapolei High School—New locker room and showers, and equipment—\$4,665,000
- Kalei'opu'u Elementary School — Electrical Upgrades plus a second evacuation ramp — \$1,175,000
- Honowai Elementary—Replacement of Building H stairways—\$190,000
- Waikele Elementary— Cafeteria expansion, performing arts stage, resurfacing basketball court, playground—\$969,000
- Waipahu Elementary School — Design and Construction for a Classroom Building — \$8,100,000
- Waipahu Intermediate School — Design for an Eight Classroom Building — \$800,000
- Waipahu High School — Electrical Upgrades, Field Turf and track improvement and retaining wall — \$1,260,000
- New Royal Kunia Elementary—\$150,000
- University of Hawaii West Oahu—Academy of creative media facility and an allied health building -\$8.145,000

Road/Transportation Improvements

- H-1 Freeway PM Contra flow Lane (Westbound) — Radford to Waikele — \$75,000,000
- H-1 Concrete Preservation — Pearl City, Waimalu, Airport Viaduct Repair — \$63,000,000
- H-1 Middle Street Merge Widening — From Ola Lane up to Vineyard Off-ramp — \$100,000,000
- H-201 Moanalua Freeway Resurfacing — \$4,000,000
- H-1, H-2 Freeways Destination Sign Upgrades and Replacements — \$ 6,200,000
- Highway Lighting Replacement — \$ 8,950,000
- Leeward Bikeway Phases 1 & 2 — Construct 12-ft. wide bike path over 13.2 Miles — \$8,500,000
- Kualakai Parkway—Road Extension—\$18,000,000
- Freeway Management System—\$ 3,750,000
- Mitigation of Tsunami Debris—\$13, 000

Civil Defense

- Hurricane Protective Measures on Public buildings for increased number of public emergency shelters statewide — \$3,650,000
- Disaster Warning and Communications Devices — Replace and Upgrade Equipment — \$3,200,000
- Flood Mitigation—Honouliuli, Ewa-Kunia—\$100,000

Honoring Our Veterans

- Veterans Cemetery Improvements Statewide — \$9,797,000
- Tuition Assistance Program - \$150,000

Grant-in Aid to Non-Profits

- Filipino Community Center, Waipahu—\$450,000
- Special Olympics Hawaii, Inc. — \$1,500,000

Law Makers Listen - 7pm May 29 @ Kaleiopu'u Elementary School Cafeteria. Join Representative Cullen and other members of the House of Representatives as they discuss this year's legislative session and community concerns.

Village Park Community Clean up - June 2, 2012 @ 8am Representative Cullen will be holding a Community Clean Up along Kupuna Loop and Aiki Streets in Village Park. If you would like to participate you may RSVP to our office at 586-8490 or please come down to the Village Park / Royal Kunia park 'n ride at 8am.